

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 236120

45

ORIGIN NEA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CPR-02 NSC-10 PA-04 RSC-01 SS-20

USIA-15 PRS-01 SSO-00 NSCE-00 /066 R

DRAFTED BY NEA/AIA:HHSTACKHOUSE:KHA

APPROVED BY S/S MR. BARNES

NEA - MR. ATHERTON (DRAFT)

WHITE HOUSE - MR. QUANDT

NEA - MR. SISCO

S/S-S - MR. MUELLER

----- 006476

O 011914Z DEC 73 ZFF4

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV NIACT IMMEDIATE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 236120

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, IS

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT KATZIR

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO  
PRESIDENT KATZIR:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

IT WAS WITH THE DEEPEST SORROW THAT I LEARNED OF THE  
DEATH OF DAVID BEN-GURION.

WITH COURAGE, LOVE AND DETERMINATION, DAVID BEN-GURION  
WORKED TO ESTABLISH THE MODERN STATE OF ISRAEL. HIS  
DEVOTION TO FREEDOM GAVE NEW INSPIRATION TO PEOPLE  
EVERYWHERE. HE GAVE HIS LIFE TO THE STRUGGLE FOR JUSTICE  
AND PEACE. AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN THAT CAUSE, WE TAKE  
FROM THE EXAMPLE OF HIS LIFE INCREASED CONVICTION THAT  
JUSTICE WILL TRIUMPH AND PEACE PREVAIL.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 236120

THE PEOPLE OF MY COUNTRY JOIN WITH YOUR OWN IN

MOURNING THE PASSING OF A GALLANT MAN. AS WE SHARED HIS  
IDEALS AND HOPES, NOT ONLY FOR ISRAEL BUT FOR ALL MANKIND,  
SO WE SHARE IN YOUR LOSS. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END  
QUOTE.

2. SIGNED ORIGINAL WILL BE FORWARDED BY POUCH.

3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF  
MESSAGE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF GOI WISHES TO  
RELEASE. PORTER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** DEATHS, DIPLOMATIC NOTES  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 01 DEC 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** garlanwa  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973STATE236120  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** HHSTACKHOUSE:KHA  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19731251/aaaableo.tel  
**Line Count:** 72  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ORIGIN NEA  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** garlanwa  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 02 JAN 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <02-Jan-2002 by shawdg>; APPROVED <07 MAR 2002 by garlanwa>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT KATZIR  
**TAGS:** PFOR, IS, US, (BEN-GURION, DAVID)  
**To:** TEL AVIV  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005